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TAGS: PFOR, UN, CY, XF

SUBJECT: UNGA:INSCRIPTION OF PALESTINIAN AND CYPRUS ITEMS

REF: USUN 3209 (NOTAL)

1. DEPARTMENT PREFERS TO SEE BOTH SUBJECT ITEMS INSCRIBED
WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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2. SHOULD A VOTE BE CALLED FOR ON EITHER ITEM YOU SHOULD

VOTE IN FAVOR. SHOULD ANY DISCUSSION ENSUE, MISSION
SHOULD EXPRESS FOLLOWING VIEWS AS PER FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS.

3. PALESTINIAN ITEM: QUOTE WE BELIEVE THAT THE BEST HOPE
FOR ALL PEOPLES OF THE MIDDLE EAST IS THE ACHIEVEMENT OF
A JUST AND LASTING NEGOTIATED PEACE SETTLEMENT ON THE BASIS
OF SC RESOLUTION 338. THE UNITED STATES CAREFULLY WEIGHED
ITS ATTITUDE TOWARD THE INSCRIPTION OF A NEW ITEM ON "THE
QUESTION OF PALESTINE" IN LIGHT OF ITS PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF
FACILITATING NEGOTIATIONS AMONG THE PARTIES. WE HAVE ALSO
VIEWED IT IN LIGHT OF OUR CUSTOMARY POSITION OF FAVORING
INSCRIPTION OF ITEMS CONSIDERED BY MEMBER STATES TO BE OF
IMPORTANCE TO THEM, PROVIDED THEY CONCERN MATTERS ON WHICH
THE ASSEMBLY IN POSITION TO JUDGE. WE URGE UN
MEMBER STATES TO PURSUE IT IN A MANNER MOST LIKELY TO
CONTRIBUTE CONSTRUCTIVELY TO THE DELICATE NEGOTIATING PRO-
CESS WHICH IS UNDER WAY AND WHICH HAS ALREADY MADE SIGNIFI-
CANT PROGRESS. WE ALSO HOPE THAT ANY UNGA RECOMMENDATIONS
EMERGE FROM THESE DEBATES WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE PRI-
MARY IMPORTANCE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS UNDER WAY.

4. US SHOULD EXPLAIN ITS FAVORABLE VOTE ON CYPRUS ITEM
ALONG FOLLOWING LINES: QUOTE IN THE VIEW OF THE UNITED
STATES, THE BEST AND ONLY MEANS OF RESTORING PEACE AND
SECURITY TO CYPRUS IS TO COMPLY WITH THE CEASEFIRE AND
TO ENCOURAGE NEGOTIATIONS AMONG THE PARTIES LEADING TOWARD
A JUST AND LASTING SETTLEMENT. THE TALKS BETWEEN THE
LEADERS OF THE GREEK CYPRIOT AND TURKISH CYPRIOT COMMUNI-
TIES, FACILITATED BY THE STATESMAN-LIKE EFFORTS OF THE SYG
DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO CYPRUS, ARE AN IMPORTANT STEP
TOWARD BROADER NEGOTIATIONS, AND NOTHING MUST BE DONE BY
THIS ASSEMBLY WHICH INTERFERES WITH THIS PROCESS. IN
KEEPING WITH OUR CUSTOMARY POSITION OF FAVORING INSCRIPTION
OF ITEMS CONSIDERED BY MEMBER STATES TO BE OF IMPORTANCE TO
THEM, PROVIDED THEY CONCERN MATTERS ON WHICH UNGA IS IN
POSITION TO DELIBERATE, THE US DELEGATION HAS VOTED IN
FAVOR OF INSCRIPTION. WE WOULD, HOWEVER, URGE THE
MEMBER STATES WHO DESIRE TO DEBATE THIS ISSUE TO PURSUE IT
IN A MANNER MOST LIKELY TO CONTRIBUTE CONSTRUCTIVELY TO
THE CREATION OF A CLIMATE CONDUCIVE TO FURTHER FRUITFUL
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NEGOTIATIONS AMONG THE PARTIES. WE HOPE THAT ANY UNGA
RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH EMERGE FROM THESE DEBATES WILL TAKE
INTO ACCOUNT THE PRIMARY IMPORTANCE OF THE DELICATE
NEGOTIATIONS UNDER DAY. END QUOTE.

5. REQUEST IMMEDIATE INFORMATION REGARDING UNGA THINKING
ABOUT ALLOCATION AND PRIORITY OF CYPRUS AND PALESTINIAN
ITEMS TOGETHER WITH USUN RECOMMENDATIONS. INGERSOLL

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